SHIPMENT OF POV TO USA

If you want to buy and ship a car to USA using PCS ORDER at government expense, you must need to check the following points. (You must turn in the car to Vehicle Processing Center (= VPC) at Yokohama North Pier (North Dock). For detail, please see a leaflet with a map and make an appointment with the VPC.)

1. METAL PLATES of DOT and EPA must be attached to the vehicle.

POV less than 25 years old must meets all **DOT** (=Department of Transportation) safety requirements, and the POV less than 21 years old must meets **EPA** (=Environmental Protection Agency)emission standards.

If the vehicle meets these standards it will have metal plates attached to the vehicle. **DOT** plate is usually in the driver side door area and **EPA** in the engine compartment.

Even though those metal plates are missing from the vehicle, it was apparently manufactured in USA for domestic use, you need to get a letter from U.S. manufacture to prove that the vehicle was originally made to meet U.S. standards. (You must get it before buying the car because they might refuse your request.)

2. Only one POV does not exceed 20 measurement tons may be shipped from VPC Yokohama at North pier to VPC near to your next duty station in USA. But it must have been possessed prior to the effective date (= report date) of PCS order.

3. REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

- 3-1. DEREGISTRATION
 - A. If you do not have time to register it, you must keep a de-registration form of previous owner.
 - B. In case the car will be registered, you need to de-register before or after turning the car to VPC Yokohama. (Please report to Vehicle registration office with memo from Personal property office and fill out the LTO forms for de-registration.)
- 3-2. BILL OF SALES or PROOF OF OWNERSHIP TRANSFER(讓渡証明書)
 It must be written in English or English translation must be attached.
- 3-3. U.S. TITLE / U.S. REGISTRATION

If it's available, better to provide it for Vehicle Processing Center (= VPC) at Yokohama North Pier (North Dock).

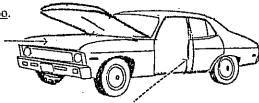
- 3-4. DD FORM 1797 PERSONAL PROPERTY COUNSELLING CHECK LIST
- 3-5. **HS-7 DECLARATION** (Importation of Motor Vehicles and Motor Vehicle Equipment Subject to Federal Motor Safety, Bumper and Theft Prevention Standards)
- 3-6. **DD FORM 788** PRIVATE VEHICLE SHIPPING DOCUMENT FOR AUTOMOBILE For purpose of joint inspection of the vehicle by VPC and member.
- ** 3-1, 3-2, (3-3), 3-4 are required to bring when you turn in your car to the VPC. 3-5, 3-6 will be completed at the VPC
- 4. GENERAL IDEA OF HOW TO PREPARE FOR TRANPORTATION TO VPC

First of all, transportation of a POV from Car Dealer or your RESIDENCE to the VPC Yokohama is your responsibility. So you need to check any possible risk would be occurred during the transportation.

So except the car dealer will deliver it to the VPC by using a towing car or a truck specially made for the car transport under a written contract (such a service is to be provided), you must prepare for everything, for example, you must go to Ayase city hall to get a temporary plate (Please go to the Vehicle Registration office first.) If JCl is already expired, you must buy and bring it when getting the plate.

Addition to that, it might be better for you to buy a insurance liability too.

a metal plate of EPA (ENVIRONMENTAL Protection Agency emission standards)



a metal plate of DOT (Department of Transportation safety requirements)